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This newsletter will provide weekly updates regarding Mississippi's WIOA planning process. Our state will be an early implementer and will submit a combined plan by the end of September.

Please provide your feedback to James Williams at 601-321-6046 or jwilliams@swdb-ms.org.

Weekly Update

After months of planning, interviewing, data gathering, and writing, Mississippi's WIOA state plan is near completion and on schedule. This process has been a collaborative effort among the internal workgroups and external stakeholders with overall guidance provided by the Governor's Office.

The Management Team, Compliance Team, and Public Relations Team have attended all of the strategic workgroup and operational workgroup meetings and have gathered information. These notes were shared across all team members. Additional programmatic information has been collected from Subject Matter Experts from the agencies that provide the various services identified in the Combined Plan. With their expertise and institutional knowledge, the Subject Matter Experts have shared valuable insight for the crafting and writing of the state plan. The public has also played a key role in the development of the plan through two previous public hearings.

The Management Team has reviewed all the materials and notes gathered at the various workgroup meetings and interviews with Subject Matter Experts. After utilizing the outline created by the Compliance Team, members of the Management Team have written initial drafts of each component of the plan. The Public Relations Team and the Compliance Team have reviewed and edited the draft, making sure all required WIOA areas have been addressed.



The WIOA internal working group discusses various programs with subject matter experts at Mississippi Department of Employment Security.

Timeline

3rd Public Forum

Due to new government regulations regarding the WIOA, the public forum to be held at the Clyde Muse center at 9:00 am on Friday, August 14th has been postponed.

**In addition, WIOA Planning Meetings are held every Friday at 10 a.m. at NSPARC on the campus of Mississippi State University.*

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